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In re application of:

Juha Punnonen et al.

Application No.: 09/247,886

Filed: February 10, 1999

For: GENETIC VACCINE VECTOR

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Examiner:

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37

CFR §1.97 and §1.98

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The references cited on attached form PTO-1449 are being called to the attention of the Examiner. Copies of the references are enclosed, except for Appl. No. 09/655,646 (Ref. AH), which is a divisional of the instant application. It is respectfully requested that the cited references be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and the references be made of record therein and appear among the "references to encode the encoded appear among the "references" and the encoded appear among the "references" and appear among the "references" and the encoded appear among the "references" and appear among the "references" are enclosed, except for Appl. No.

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no representation is being made that a search has been conducted or that this statement encompasses all the possible relevant information.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted after the issuance of the first Office Action and before the issuance of the final Office Action. The Assistant Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to deduct the fee of \$240.00 from the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please deduct any additional fees from, or credit any overpayment to, the above-noted Deposit Account. This authorization is submitted in triplicate.

Applicants also bring to the attention of the Office two continuation applications, filed on November 28, 2000, based on the present application, for which two continuation applications serial numbers are not yet available. Also, several divisional and/or continuation applications were filed on November 28, 2000 for each of the copending applications listed on the attached form PTO-1449; no serial numbers are yet available for these applications.

Respectfully submitted,

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